IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA GREAT FALLS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CR 23-18-GF-BMM-JTJ

Plaintiff,

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

v.

BRITTANY ALICE BRADLEY,

Defendant.

I. Synopsis

Defendant Brittany Alice Bradley (Bradley) has been accused of violating the conditions of her supervised release. (Docs. 104 and 107). Bradley admitted the alleged violations. Bradley's supervised release should be revoked. Bradley should be sentenced to custody for 3 months, with 45 months of supervised release to follow. During the first 90 days of supervised release, Bradley shall be placed in a secure in-patient substance abuse treatment facility as directed by her probation officer.

II. Status

Bradley pled guilty on August 21, 2023, to the offense of Possession with Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § § 841(a)(1),

(b)(1)(B), as charged in Count 2 of the Indictment. (Doc. 62). Bradley was sentenced to 18 months of custody, with 4 years of supervised release to follow. (Doc. 78). Bradley's current term of supervised release began on July 30, 2024.

Petition

On December 26, 2024, the United States Probation Office filed a Petition requesting that the Court revoke Bradley's supervised release. (Doc. 104). The Petition alleged Bradley violated conditions of her supervised release by: (1) failing to maintain employment, by being terminated from her employment on or about December 9, 2024 and failing to advise her probation officer within 72 hours; (2) failing to comply with substance abuse treatment on December 11, 2024; (3) testing positive for methamphetamine on December 12, 2024; (4) failing to comply with substance abuse testing requirements on December 18, 2024; (5) using methamphetamine on December 18, 2024; (6) failing to comply with substance abuse testing requirements on December 19, 2024 by purchasing fake urine; (7) failing to check in with her probation officer as directed on December 24, 2024; and (8) using methamphetamine on December 19, 2024.

Amended Petition

On January 30, 2025, the United States Probation Office filed an Amended Petition requesting that the Court revoke Bradley's supervised release. (Doc. 107)

The Amended Petition alleged Bradley had additionally violated her supervised release by: (9) using methamphetamine and fentanyl on January 30, 2025.

Initial Appearance

Bradley appeared before the Court on February 25, 2025. Bradley was represented by counsel. Bradley stated that she had read the Amended Petition and that she understood the allegations against her. Bradley waived her right to a preliminary hearing. The parties consented to proceed with the revocation hearing before the undersigned.

Revocation hearing

Bradley appeared before the Court on February 25, 2025. Bradley admitted that she had violated the conditions of supervised release as set forth in the Amended Petition by: (1) failing to maintain employment, by being terminated from her employment on or about December 9, 2024 and failing to advise her probation officer within 72 hours; (2) failing to comply with substance abuse treatment on December 11, 2024; (3) testing positive for methamphetamine on December 12, 2024; (4) failing to comply with substance abuse testing requirements on December 18, 2024; (5) using methamphetamine on December 18, 2024; (6) failing to comply with substance abuse testing requirements on December 19, 2024 by purchasing fake urine; (7) failing to check in with her probation officer as directed on December 24, 2024; (8) using methamphetamine on December 19, 2024; and (9) using

methamphetamine and fentanyl on January 30, 2025. Bradley's admitted violations are serious and warrant revocation of her supervised release.

Sentencing hearing

Bradley appeared before the Court on February 25, 2025. Bradley's violations are a Grade C. Her criminal history category is I. Bradley's underlying offense is a Class B felony. Bradley could be incarcerated for up to 36 months. Bradley could be ordered to remain on supervised release for 48 months less any custody time. The United States Sentencing Guidelines call for a term of custody of 3 to 9 months.

III. Analysis

Bradley's supervised release should be revoked. Bradley should be sentenced to custody for 3 months, with 45 months of supervised release to follow. This sentence is sufficient but not greater than necessary. During the first 90 days of supervised release, Bradley shall be placed in a secure in-patient substance abuse treatment facility as directed by her probation officer.

IV. Conclusion

The Court informed Bradley that the above sentence would be recommended to the Chief United States District Judge Brian Morris. The Court also informed Bradley of her right to object to these Findings and Recommendations within 14 days of this issuance. The Court explained to Bradley that Judge Morris would

consider a timely objection before making a final determination on whether to revoke her supervised release and what, if any, sanction to impose.

The Court **FINDS**:

That BRITTANY ALICE BRADLEY has violated the conditions of her supervised release by: (1) failing to maintain employment, by being terminated from her employment on or about December 9, 2024 and failing to advise her probation officer within 72 hours; (2) failing to comply with substance abuse treatment on December 11, 2024; (3) testing positive for methamphetamine on December 12, 2024; (4) failing to comply with substance abuse testing requirements on December 18, 2024; (5) using methamphetamine on December 18, 2024; (6) failing to comply with substance abuse testing requirements on December 19, 2024 by purchasing fake urine; (7) failing to check in with her probation officer as directed on December 24, 2024; (8) using methamphetamine on December 19, 2024; and (9) using methamphetamine and fentanyl on January 30, 2025.

The Court **RECOMMENDS**:

That the District Court revoke Bradley's supervised release and sentence Bradley to custody for 3 months, with 45 months of supervised release to follow. During the first 90 days of supervised release, Bradley shall be placed in a secure in-patient substance abuse treatment facility as directed by her probation officer.

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO OBJECT TO FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO OBJECT

The parties may serve and file a written objections to the Findings and Recommendations within 14 days of their entry, as indicated on the Notice of Electronic Filing. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). A United States district court judge will make a de novo determination regarding any portion of the Findings and

Recommendations to which objection is made. The district court judge may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the Findings and Recommendations. Failure to timely file written objections may bar a de novo determination by the district court judge and may waive the right to appear and allocute before a district court judge.

DATED this 26th day of February 2025.

John Johnston

United States Magistrate Judge